



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 4154

Hiroki TAWA et al.

Art Unit: 3617

Application No.: 10/674,796

Examiner: Wright, Andrew D

Filed: October 1, 2003

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For: WATER-COOLED VERTICAL ENGINE AND OUTBOARD MOTOR  
EQUIPPED THEREWITH

**RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

January 23, 2006

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 21, 2005, the period for response being extended from October 21, 2005 to January 21, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.